

Hospice Foundation of America's Program

CUMULATIVE GRIEF IN THE BLACK COMMUNITY

Self-Study ONLINE Course

DESCRIPTION

Disproportionate COVID-19 deaths, due in part to healthcare disparities, and recent social unrest over systemic racism, have brought the experiences of Black Americans into sharp focus. This webinar examines how centuries of inequity and trauma, both acknowledged and ignored, have manifested as cumulative grief in the Black community; how that reality impacts health, health care, death, and loss; and what can be done to affect positive long-term change.

PROGRAM DETAILS

Hospice Foundation of America has taken its popular webinar program and created a self-study course for professionals. The online presentation features experienced professionals offering their own expertise on the topic. On the screen, you will see the slide presentation and will be able to hear the experts talking and presenting.

RELEASE DATE:	Program originally premiered August 25, 2020
ON DEMAND:	to registered individuals for 1 year after purchase
LENGTH:	90 minutes
CE HOURS:	1.5 hours for a wide variety of professional boards
CE FEE:	One CE certificate is included in the cost of registration. Additional certificates (if selecting more than one board) are \$10 each.
CONTENT LEVEL:	The program is mainly for professionals already working in the field but is practical for all levels of education – entry level, intermediate or advanced.
TARGET AUDIENCE:	The course is useful to Health care clinicians, social service clinicians and others working in the hospice, palliative care, counseling, hospital, nursing home, funeral home or faith community environments

HOW THE ONLINE SELF-STUDY PROGRAM WORKS

Step 1 - Register/purchase the course

Step 2 - View the course online through the link in your confirmation email or in your account.

Step 3 - Follow the instructions provided to receive your CE certificate*.

*An evaluation and a short exam are a part of this process.

TECHNICAL REQUIREMENTS

To view this online program, you will need a computer and screen, reliable internet access, and speakers. Please test your system ahead of time to ensure you have the capabilities to view and hear the program. Mobile service provider charges may apply.

TEST LINK for Audio and Video:

<http://hospicefoundation.org/Professionals/All-Programs/All-Self-Studies/Video-Test-Page>

REGISTRATION INFORMATION/FEEES

Register directly online, on HFA's website: www.hospicefoundation.org. To have a registration form mailed to you, contact HFA at 800-854-3402 or by email at educate@hospicefoundation.org.

For current prices, please refer to HFA's website at www.hospicefoundation.org.

There are no refunds on registration. *Few exceptions may occur depending on the circumstance. To request a refund, a written request must be received (and granted) by HFA.

REGISTRATION POLICY

INDIVIDUAL REGISTRATION

Provides one person, the registrant, access to the self-study course for personal viewing.

MULTIPLE VIEWER REGISTRATION

Provides one person, the registrant, access to the webcast for streaming from one computer to a group of people. Program access fees remain the same; CEs are included in course fees for the registered user and are \$12 per additional participant per course. **Please note that self-study courses accommodate individual learners only unless prior arrangements are made through HFA for additional certificates.** Contact HFA at 202-457-5811 or email us at educate@hospicefoundation.org to register the additional participants.

MATERIALS AREA

Course materials are accessible to all registered individuals immediately after registering. Program materials are available on HFA's website at <https://hospicefoundation.org/Shop-HFA/My-Account>. From here, click on "Orders/Courses." Materials contain the full-length video, CE instructions, the program's slides, and additional program material. Information will be posted to your account as they become available.

LEARNING OBJECTIVES

AT THE CONCLUSION OF THIS PROGRAM, PARTICIPANTS WILL BE ABLE TO:

1. Define grief.
2. Understand the Black American context for grief.
3. Recognize cultural expressions of grief and mourning in the Black culture.
4. Define patterns unique to the grief experiences of Black families bereaved by loss from developmental, historical, contextual, and social justice perspectives.
5. Reflect on effective grief support for Black Americans.

PROGRAM OUTLINE

- I. Define terms: Complex Trauma, Intersectionality, Microaggression (10 minutes)
- II. Current dual pandemics: COVID-19/health disparities & Systematic racism (15 minutes)
- III. Define Grief, examine what grief is and is not (10 minutes)
- IV. Black American Worldviews on Death & leading causes of death (10 minutes)
- V. Factors that complicate grieving in Black Americans (15 minutes)
- VI. Needs of grieving persons & resources (10 minutes)
- VII. Applications for Grief support (15 minutes)
- VIII. Question and Answer Session (5-10 minutes)

CONTINUING EDUCATION

This program is available for 1.5 credits of continuing education. CE credits are available to the registered participant online (after completing the course). One CE certificate is included in the cost of registration. Additional certificates (if selecting more than one board) are \$10 each. A complete list of board approvals for this course is posted to HFA's website (at www.hospicefoundation.org).

COURSE COMPLETION REQUIREMENTS

Participants must view the entire 90-minute program (online-streaming video). Partial credit is not awarded. Participants must also complete the entire CE process online, before the CE deadline (1 year after purchase of course). In order to go online, two codes will be issued to you and verified online; a Site # (same as your Order/Invoice #) and the Course Code (provided in your CE instruction sheet). The online CE process includes a required evaluation form and exam. The exam must be completed at 80% or above (the exam may be re-taken, if necessary). Attendees will be able to choose the board they wish to receive credit from

(from Hospice Foundation of America's list of board approvals*). Participants will then be able to print their CE certificate immediately after completing all CE requirements online (on HFA's CE site at <https://educate.hospicefoundation.org>).

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EXPERT SPEAKERS

Corey L. Kennard, MACM, is Pastor of Amplify Christian Church, manager of Patient Experience at Ascension St. John Hospital in Detroit, Michigan, and also serves as an activist in the field of healthcare. His holistic approach (body, mind, and spirit) serves as the foundation for his desire to see all human beings treated with dignity, honor, and respect in all facets of life. Corey has been involved in the field of healthcare for over 20 years with over a decade of experience in the areas of Palliative Care and Hospice. He currently seeks to enhance the patient/family experience in healthcare settings. His work has also included leading a spiritual care team at one of Detroit's largest hospitals, and formerly serving as a Faculty Lead for Duke University's Institute on Care at the End Of Life (ICEOL) national training program called, "APPEAL." He had also served as a National Advisory Board Member for the Hospice Foundation of America, and as a Co-Director of a Community Faith "Advance Care Planning" Project for the University of Virginia. Corey earned a Masters Degree from Ashland Theological Seminary and carries out his passion for people as a daring and devoted agent of change.

Rev. Cynthia Carter Perrilliat, MPA, has over 25 years of experience as a change agent in healthcare, marketing and communications, biotechnologies and community organizations. Over the last 15 years, she has focused on end of life care program development and educational training in the African American, Latinx and Asian communities. As part of VITAS Healthcare, Rev. Cynthia established a targeted compassionate care approach to communities of color, which was adopted and replicated across the 17-state footprint of VITAS. She also served as faculty member of the Duke University APPEAL program, a Palliative Care Educational Curriculum for African Americans at the end of life.

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